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Applicant : Andrew E. Meyer et al.                      Art Unit : 2827  
Serial No. : 08/821,760                                      Examiner : Albert W. Paladini  
Filed : March 20, 1997                                      Confirmation No.: 5562  
Title : VISUAL LATCHING INDICATOR ARRANGEMENT FOR AN ELECTRICAL  
              BUSHING AND TERMINATOR

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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT**

Under 37 CFR §1.181(a), applicants hereby petition to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment mailed May 30, 2002 (Tab A). The application was abandoned because the Patent and Trademark Office records indicate that the issue fee was not paid in response to the Notice of Allowance dated January 25, 2002.

The undersigned, applicants' attorney of record, first became aware of the abandonment on May 30, 2002, upon contacting the Examiner to determine the status of the application, and submits that this petition to withdraw the Notice is being promptly submitted as required by 37 CFR §1.181(f).

The Notice of Allowance of January 25, 2002 was never received by our office and, therefore, the issue fee was not paid, because the Notice of Allowance was sent to the previous attorney of record at the wrong address. That Notice of Allowance was not forwarded to us by the previous firm.

The following documents have previously been submitted to the Office:

1. A change of address filed November 24, 1998 (Tab B); and
2. A revocation and new power of attorney filed December 16, 1998 (Tab C).

Copies of these documents are attached along with a copy of a date-stamped postcard confirming that these documents were received by the Office.

Since filing the revocation and new power of attorney, the following items have been addressed to Fish & Richardson P.C. and received from the Office:

1. A communication dated February 3, 1999 indicating that the new power of attorney has been accepted (Tab D); and

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2. A communication dated February 16, 1999 indicating that the reply brief has been received and entered (Tab E).

The Notice of Allowance, however, was addressed and forwarded to Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis (Tab F) (as was the Notice of Abandonment) and was not received in our office. Applicants submit that a response to the Notice of Allowance was not filed because the notice was never received. A response to the Notice of Allowance is being submitted with this petition. In view of this, applicants request withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment.

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Respectfully submitted,

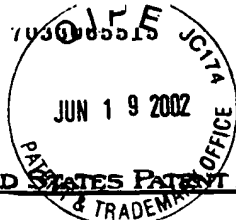
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**NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT**

This application is abandoned in view of:

- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A reply (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission of \_\_\_\_\_) was received on \_\_\_\_\_, which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection.  
 (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
- ☐ No reply has been received.
- ☒ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
- ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance.
- ☐ The submitted fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
 The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file new formal drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37).
- ☐ Proposed new formal drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
- ☐ The proposed new formal drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are not acceptable and the period for reply has expired.
- ☐ No proposed new formal drawings have been received.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
- ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
- ☐ The reason(s) below:

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**CONTACT PERSON IS:**  
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**To: April Sanders**

**Recipient Fax: 206-903-8820**

**From: Wynette Stapor**

202-783-2331

**Memo: Per your request- here is a copy of the Notice of Abandonment dated 5-30-02 for S/N 09-821760. Please call me if I can be of any more assistance.**

**Thanks**

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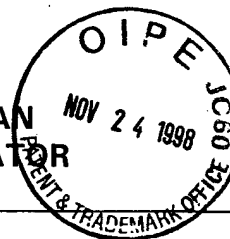
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☒ **Transmittal Letter**

☐ **Response/Amendment Under** \_\_\_\_\_ **Pages** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Information Disclosure Statement, w/PTO-1449 in duplicate** \_\_\_\_\_ **Pages** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Cited References** \_\_\_\_; **Copies attached: Yes** \_\_ **No** \_\_

☐ **Issue Fee Transmittal**

☐ **Submission of Formal/Amended Drawings** (**Sheets; Figs.** \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_)

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**Other Reply Brief (7 pgs., in triplicate); Change of Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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The telephone and facsimile numbers are (202) 783-5070  
and (202) 783-2331, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

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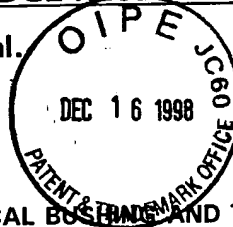
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REVOCATION AND NEW POWER OF ATTORNEY

Under 37 CFR §3.73(b) Cooper Industries, Inc., an Ohio corporation, certifies that it is the assignee of 100% of the right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 7055, Frame 0697 on June 20, 1994.

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

The undersigned, acting on behalf of the assignee, hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously granted in the application and appoints:

John F. Hayden, Reg. No. 37,640; John C. Phillips, Reg. No. 35,322; Linda Liu Kordziel, Reg. No. 39,732; Eldora L. Ellison, Reg. No. 39,967; Carl B. Wischhusen, Reg. No. 43,279; William E. Booth, Reg. No. 28,933; Ruffin B. Cordell, Reg. No. 33,487; David L. Feigenbaum, Reg. No. 30,378; John W. Freeman, Reg. No. 29,066;

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with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

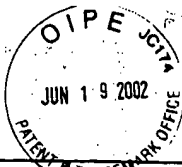
Address all telephone calls to John F. Hayden at 202/783-5070. Address all correspondence to John F. Hayden, Fish & Richardson P.C., 601 13th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20005; facsimile: 202/783-2331.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

Date: December 10, 1998

By: Diane K. Schumacher  
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- ☐ 1. The Power of Attorney to you in this application has been revoked by the applicant. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.
- ☒ 2. The Power of Attorney to you in this application has been revoked by the assignee who has intervened as provided by 37 CFR 3.71. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. (37 CFR 1.33).
- ☐ 3. The withdrawal as attorney in this application has been accepted. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record. 37 CFR 1.33.

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- ☒ 4. The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the below-noted address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.
- ☐ 5. The Power of Attorney in this application is not accepted for the reason(s) checked below:
- ☐ a. The Power of Attorney is from an assignee and the Certificate required by 37 CFR 3.73 (b) has not been received.
  - ☐ b. The person signing for the assignee has omitted their empowerment to sign on behalf of the assignee.
  - ☐ c. The inventor(s) is without authority to appoint attorneys since the assignee has intervened as provided by 37 CFR 3.71.
  - ☐ d. The signature of \_\_\_\_\_, a co-inventor in this application, has been omitted. The Power of Attorney will be entered upon receipt of confirmation signed by said co-inventor.
  - ☐ e. The person(s) appointed in the Power of Attorney is not registered to practice before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.
  - ☐ f. The revocation is not signed by the applicant, the assignee of the entire interest, or one particular principal attorney having the authority to revoke.

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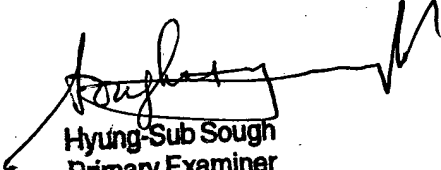
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The reply brief filed November 24, 1998 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.



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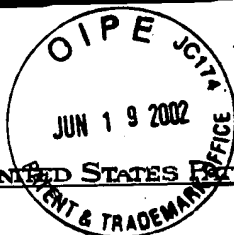
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TOTAL CLAIMS	APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
3	nonprovisional	NO	\$1280	\$0	\$1280	04/25/2002

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

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- A. If the status is changed, pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above and notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the change in status, or
- B. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check the box below and enclose the PUBLICATION FEE and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.
- ☐ Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Box ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

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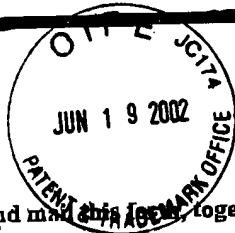
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**Determination of Patent Term Extension under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)**  
(application filed after June 7, 1995 but prior to May 29, 2000)

The patent term extension is 0 days. Any patent to issue from the above identified application will include an indication of the 0 day extension on the front page.

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# **Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

08/821,760

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to RCE filed on 12/7/01.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 13, 19 and 20.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
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    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☒ Including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed 08 January 1998, which has been approved by the Examiner.
  - (c) ☐ Including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the top margin (not the back) of each sheet. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

9. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

## **Attachment(s)**

- 1 ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 3 ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 5 ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No. 22
- 7 ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

- 2 ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 4 ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8 ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9 ☐ Other

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